

-- NONIDET --.

At page 52, line 7, please change "Nonidet" to -- NONIDET --.

At page 52, line 9, please change "Pefabloc" to -- PEFABLOC --.

At page 52, line 23, please change "Tween" to -- TWEEN --.

At page 53, line 9, please change "Pefabloc" to -- PEFABLOC--.

At page 56, line 1, please change "Dynacryl" to -- DYNACRYL --.

At line 16 of page 96, after "murine DEC.", insert -- The nucleic acids encoding DEC,

or a portion thereof comprising a carbohydrate binding portion of a DEC lectin domain can
be utilized with a suitable vector to introduce the DEC gene into cells. --

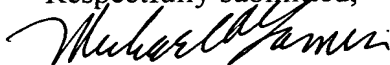
IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel Claims 1-21 and 24-25 without prejudice or disclaimer.

REMARKS

After entering the foregoing amendments, Claims 22-23 and 26-30 will be pending in the application. Entry of the foregoing amendments and early and favorable processing before the United States Patent and Trademark Office is courteously solicited.

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